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MISSIONARIES TO SAMOA

*Testifying... repentance toward God,
and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.*

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PRAYER LETTER

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Dear Friends,

We have some exciting news to report this month regarding a ministry that we have not mentioned in awhile. At long last, the government of Samoa has granted approval to start a second branch of our radio station over in the capital on the main island. The station will be overseen and operated by our close friends in the ministry, Bro. Pene and Mrs. Robyn Faafouina. Over the years, Emi and I have done numerous joint projects with this dear couple — the Samoan Bible Project, our Bible College program, translation and distribution of Bible tracts and John and Romans booklets, co-hosting overseas speakers for preaching conferences, etc. Over and over again, the Lord has blessed in great ways as we shared resources, talents, and fellowship.

Last month, I spent a week over on the main island doing coverage testing and automation training. I brought over our tiny, back-up transmitter (pictured above on the right), a second antenna (above left), and two computers we had on hand in order to get things started while Bro. Pene waits on ordering and receiving their own, higher-powered transmitter, a higher tower, and other needed equipment. Having our services and programs aired in the capital will greatly increase our coverage, so this promises to be a great leap forward in furthering the gospel in Samoa. Please pray for Brother Pene, Mrs. Robyn and Lighthouse Baptist Church of Vaitele Fou village as they pray in funds for the equipment they need, especially for their transmitter and tower which will be their biggest expenses.

I am also happy to report that things are going well back in Asau village. We had a trying time in June and the earlier part of July as we encountered two issues—one involving church discipline of a couple who is no longer with our church, and the other involving a group of youth members who were temporarily led astray but have repented and returned to the church. Both trials gave us numerous opportunities to add depth to the spiritual understanding of our church members through scriptural counseling, teaching, and preaching. What our adversary meant to weaken us, our Advocate has used to make us stronger! I am especially thankful for Brother Ropati, one of our preachers-in-training and our current youth leader who has shown great leadership, patience, and discernment. Below you can see a picture of some of the youth as they were getting ready to start their special song last Sunday morning. Brother Ropati is on the far right, wearing a white shirt and blue tie.

Thank you for continuing to lift us and the people of Samoa up in your prayers.

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